GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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ARRANGEMENT AT AJMER SHARIF DARGAH
Rawat Prof. Rasa Singh

Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the Government proposes to bring a comprehensive bill for improving internal and external arrangement at famous Ajmer Sharif Dargah for maintaining communal harmony;

(b) If so, the details thereof;

(c) Whether the Government proposes to set up a Board on the lines of Tirupati Shrine Board and Vaishno Devi Shrine Board for checking misuse of offering at the Ajmer Sharif Dargah and spending the income from the offering on spreading education among minorities;

(d) If so, the details thereof;

(e) the time by which the Government is likely to improve the arrangements at the said Dargah.?

Answer

Minister of Minority Affairs(Shri A.R. Antulay)LOK SABHA

(a) to (d): A review of the Durgah Khawaja Saheb, Act, 1955 has been undertaken recently.

(e): As per provisions of the Durgah Khwaja Saheb Act, 1955, the administrative control and management of the Durgah Endowment is vested in the Durgah Committee. Since the Committee had not been working satisfactorily, the same was superseded and reconstituted on 24.08.2007.